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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 0534

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: REORGANIZATION OF FOREIGN MINISTRY

1. LAO FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL DESCRIBED RECENT MOVES IN MINISTRY INVOLVING DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITIES OF DEPUTY MINISTERS, RECALL OF SOME AMBASSADORS, UNWILLINGNESS TO RECALL OTHERS FOR FEAR THEY WOULD DEFECT, AND PLANS TO ESTABLISH EMBASSIES IN AFRICA.

2. OFFICIAL SAID SENIOR DEPUTY MINISTER (SECSTATE) KHAMPHAY BOUPHA WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROTOCOL AND ALSO EAST EUROPEAN AND NORTH ASIAN NATIONS DEPARTMENT. (LATTER COVERING ALL COMMUNIST COUNTRIES). JUNIOR DEPUTY NOUPHAN SITHPASAY OVERSAW INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, NON-ALIGNED NATIONS, AND WESTERN AND PACIFIC NATIONS DEPARTMENTS, LAST OF WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF CONSULAR AFFAIRS CAME DIRECTLY UNDER MINISTER, HE SAID. (THIS DEPARTMENT HANDLED LAO REQUEST TO REDUCE NUMBER OF U.S. EMBASSY PERSONNEL.)

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3. SOURCE SAID LAO HAD RECALLED AMBASSADOR TO INDIA SOUK UPLAVAN WHO HAS NOT RETURNED YET. AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE KEO VIPHAKONE WANTS TO RETURN, HE SAID. BUT MINISTRY WAS RELUCTANT TO RECALL SOME DIPLOMATS WHO HAVE BEENPOSTED ABROAD FOR A LONG TIME, SINCE IT IS CONCERNED THAT THEY MIGHT DEFECT IF IT DOES SO.

4. FINALLY HE NOTED THAT MINISTRY PLANNED TO
ESTABLISH EMBASSIES IN AFRICA AT BOTH ALGIERS AND
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